

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

April 15, 1999

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Kathleen K. Bowler, Executive Director California Democratic Party 911 20th Street Sacramento, CA 95814-3115

RE: MUR 4809

Dear Ms. Bowler:

This is in reference to the complaint filed with the Federal Election Commission on September 14, 1998, concerning alleging that Charles Ball and Charles Ball for Congress (the "Committee") violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act").

Based on that complaint, on March 29, 1999, the Commission found that there was reason to believe Charles Ball for Congress and its treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433(a) and 434(a)(2), provisions of the Act. In addition, the Commission found that there was no reason to believe Charles Ball violated 2 U.S.C. § 432(e). After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action against Charles Ball for Congress and its treasurer, and closed the file in this matter on March 29, 1999. At the same time, the Commission admonished the Committee that the failure to file a Statement of Organization in a timely manner is a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 433(a) and filing reports disclosing activity outside of the reporting period is a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(2).

This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Susan F. Finkle
Law Clerk

Enclosure

General Counsel's Report